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New York Scene

Thurs., Nov. 20 - Homecoming Forum Dinner.

John F. Cooley, Middle East correspondent, Christian Science Monitor and ABC Radio, returns from a 4-year assignment in the Middle East for a 5 week visit here. His knowledge of the politics, life and personalities in that part of the world is tremendous. The q. and a. session to follow his talk will be spell-binding. His subject is "New Forces in the Middle East."



Cooley

Cocktails at 5:15 p.m. Program at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:30. \$6.

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Thurs., Nov. 27 - Thanksgiving Dinner.

The International Dining Room, 2nd floor, will be open for two sittings, 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Price \$6.50 including taxes and gratuities; children \$4.80. Phone Mimi for reservations... 594-3500.

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Tues., Dec. 2 - Brazilian Regional Dinner.

It's time for zesty Brazilian food, cooling Brazilian drinks, torrid Brazilian music! This dinner, organized by Eva Bân who hails from Rio, will feature Brazil's famous "feijô-ada" (an entree of black beans



Carmen Costa

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No Viet Optimism Found In Revisit



SOMEWHERE in Quang Ngai Province, along the coast of central Vietnam, American troops of the Americal Division fire their weapons at suspected enemy troop positions. (Photo courtesy AP)

By CHARLES P. ARNOT
ABC News Correspondent

An appropriate introduction to this report would be a direct quote from an American general. "There is a firm belief that victory is in sight."

The general wore four stars. His name: Paul D. Harkins. His confident

prediction was made in Saigon on March 5, 1963.

There have been two more four-star American generals in command of this war since Harkins left. They too, have gone on record with supremely-confident predictions about the end of this struggle,



Arnot

Censors Hit Chile Press Over Letter

By Martin P. Houseman

Santiago - Chile's fragile freedom of the press received further bashing about by the thin-skinned Christian Democrat government before, during and after the 22-hour, pocket revolt by an artillery garrison.

On Oct. 17 the government invoked the State Internal Security Act to seize off the stands the PM *La Segunda*. The law prohibits publications "that cause public alarm."

The paper had published the pur-
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IMPORTANT AT DEADLINE

OPC debate planned Dec. 5 on V.P. Spiro Agnew's attack on TV news media - see page 3.

and a major victory for our side.

I wish I had kept a record of the number of times our military and civilian leaders have told me that "we can now see the light at the end of
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NEW YORK SCENE

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with about twelve different meats and other exotic ingredients), "guarana" (sugar cane liquor), Brazilian wines, and gifts, gifts, gifts! Heading the list of door prizes will be two round-trip tickets to Rio de Janeiro via Varig Airlines. Also fabulous jewelry from Stern Jewelers, gold and ebony charms, necklaces plus individual gifts for everyone from the Brazilian Coffee Institute and other donors.

Carmen Costa, Samba Queen, will regale you with authentic "música Brasileira", and beautiful Brazilian airline stewardesses will escort you to your table. The dessert — coconut with pumpkin — is straight from old Bahia and will be prepared by the American-Brazilian Society. Topping off the menu will be real Brazilian coffee brewed in that very "special" way.

Cocktails 6:30 p.m.; dinner 7:30. \$7.00

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Tues., Dec. 4 — Annual Book Fair, 5-8 p.m., will feature outstanding speakers; prizes galore and wonderful book bargains.

Cocktails at 6:30 p.m.; dinner at 8:00.

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Fri., Dec. 12 — Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum with Abba Eban, Foreign Minister of Israel — "The Middle East Crisis".

Lunch at 12:30 — \$5.00. Immediate reservations advised for this important event.



Abba Eban

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Thurs., Dec. 18 — Viet Nam Reappraisal, by Lt. Gen. Richard G. Stillwell.

General Stillwell has served as Chief of Operations, U.S. Military Assistance Command Viet Nam, Commander U.S. Military Assistance Command Thailand, Commander Provisional Corps Viet Nam and currently Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations, U.S. Army. He is a specialist on counter-insurgency problems.

Cocktails at 6:30 p.m.; dinner at 8:30. \$7.00.



Gen. Stillwell

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All reservations not cancelled 24 hours in advance will be charged to members' accounts.

See Greek Ease Of Censorships

By Mark T. Henahan

Belief that Greece would "soon be steering away from the difficult waters of military dictatorship" was expressed by John Rigos, UPI bureau chief in Athens, at the homecoming dinner held last week in the Club.

He based this judgment on recent actions of the regime which lessened rigid controls to a small degree in several areas of Greek life, including rules governing the press being less stringent. However, covering the political sector is still difficult since any criticism of the present government is strictly censored.

"The military personnel of this

regime are real patriots with good intentions, but they lack the know-how to successfully administer the affairs of Greece and they are unable to attract collaborators with the necessary professional experience," Rigos said.

"One notable failure of the regime has been their unsuccessful effort to promote foreign investment capital to Greece. Many European and American companies are impressed by the extremely liberal concessions being offered but fail to make a move because of their reluctance to becoming associated with a military dictatorship, he declared.

The prevailing mood of the

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A. Wilfred May Dies; Was OPC Officer

A. Wilfred May, 69, a veteran officer of the OPC, died Nov. 12 after falling or jumping from his residence. He had been ill for some time.

May was a former vice-president of the OPC from 1953 to 1954; secretary-treasurer 1954 to 1966; treasurer 1956-1957, member of OPC's Executive Committee from 1953 to the present. He was awarded a plaque for "... distinguished service to this Club in bringing to reality its dream of a memorial center ..."



May

He was the executive editor of the Commercial & Financial Chronicle; on the faculty of the New School; former official of the Security & Exchange Commission. He wrote widely on financial subjects and was the author of various works dealing with banking and finance.

A delegation from the OPC, headed by Burnet Hershey, past president, attended at the Campbell Funeral Chapel. Among them were: Ben Grauer, Richard de Rochement, Joseph Wurzel, Key Giniger, Barry Blochman, Anzel Talbert, Ralph Major, Henry Gellerman, Adele, Nathan, Dorothy Oumansky, Rhea Clyman. Rabbi Nathan Perleman officiated.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING STARTS EARLY

To help make the OPC's Annual Book Fair, Dec. 4, the gala event it has been in other years, Madeline D. Ross has secured pound cans of 100 per cent Columbia Coffee to be distributed to guests who stay for dinner after the Fair.

The coffee was obtained through the courtesy of the *Columbian Information Service*.

Saturday Soups

Soup specials for the next month are

Navy Bean Soup ...

U.S. Senate dining room recipe.

English Farmhouse Potato Soup

Scotch Barley Soup

Split Pea Soup

Executive Chef Prosper Anselm

Censors Hit Chile Press Over Letter

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ported text of a letter from 45 Second Division officers demanding that President Eduardo Frei return Gen. Roberto Viaux to his command. Viaux had been ousted for taking pay and equipment demands directly to the chief of state.

Editor Mario Carneyro who was arrested, spent the night in jail, was released to a private clinic under guard, then four days later released under token bond. His case is pending.

The *AM, El Mercurio*, was subjected to previous scrutiny by Interior Ministry agents, and came out several hours late. *El Diario Ilustrado* did not appear until the afternoon of the 18th (it is a morning paper), with blank spaces on page one. The newspaper explained that it had been censored.

Letter Fraud?

All had reported on the letter to Frei. The Defense Ministry said the letter was a fraud, but only one of the 45 alleged signers asserted this in a public statement.

Two provincial newspapers, *La Tarde de Talcahuano* and *La Prensa Austral* of Punta Arenas, were also confiscated by police for carrying the text of the letter.

The letter was first published in *El Mercurio* of Antofagasta and its sister publication, *La Estrella del Norte*. Editors of both were interrogated under the Internal Security Act.

On Oct. 19 the national news service, *Orbe*—one of whose owners is Patricio Silva, a Christian Democrat bigwig and Undersecretary of Foreign Relations—carried the text of the letter. *La Tarde*, the official afternoon tabloid, published it. An order went out to seize all copies of *La Tarde*. Confused police, knowing the paper as a virtual government organ, thought a mistake had been made, and picked up *La Segunda*, again, instead.

Johnny Campbell, editor of *La Tarde* and a Christian Democrat red-hot, was summoned before a judge. He blamed *Orbe*; and was released. Among *La Tarde's* owners is Foreign Minister Gabriel Valdes, who was off on an official trip to Europe.

All Media Hit

Then came the attempted Oct. 22 revolt to topple the military high command and force better pay and equipment for the army. A state of siege was declared which meant modified martial law, and suspension of constitutional guarantees plus press censorship at governmental discretion.

It was, however, applied in a hea-

vy-handed manner with government functionaries claiming all the while that there was no censorship.

The presidential press office took over all radio-tv broadcasts in a state network. Newspapers were subject to censorship by Interior Ministry agents on their premises. News agency chiefs were warned several times during the day they could face sanctions (expulsion, fines and/or imprisonment) if they sent anything except official communiques abroad.

Finally, Interior Ministry "Inter-ventors"—appeared in wire service offices with copies of a decree authorizing them to screen outbound copy. Ways were found to circumvent this. Nick Levi of AP put a fifth of Scotch at the disposition of his censor, who soon took himself out of action. Carl Davis, PAO of the embassy, went to the AP office earlier when the censor threatened action against the agency. Davis made no official representation, and the incident—like the revolt itself—was straightened out "a la chilena" through a lot of talking and arm-waving.

The next day, the 22-hour revolt was all over. The censors came back with orders to screen outgoing and incoming dispatches! The *UPI* censor, a National Palace IBM operator, disappeared some time Wednesday, Oct. 22, without saying goodbye. No one had paid much attention to him anyway.

Official prior scrutiny of news-

OPC STAND ON AGNEW ATTACK

Overnight, after Vice-President Spiro Agnew's attack Nov. 13 on television news broadcasters, the Overseas Press Club began planning a debate-symposium, tentatively set for Mon. Dec. 5 at the Club, pro and con the Vice President's allegations. Telegrams signed by OPC President Hal Lehrman and Program Council President John T. McAllister went to top network Congressional and Executive Branch spokesmen. The message solicited "your direct cooperation" in arranging a four-man panel composed of one network executive; one television commentator and two nationally known critics of the industry's news coverage and analysis. Names of those invited were withheld pending acceptance of the OPC invitations.

papers continued a day or two. Finally the national broadcast hook-up was discontinued but radio station owners accepted a governmental admonition not to carry reprieve dispatches of the revolt (and most news sections had good stuff on tape). The Collegium of Journalists, a professional society, refused to accept this "negotiated censorship." No radio news, except that provided by the presidential press office, was heard for another 24 hours. Finally the government withdrew all curbs on Friday, Oct. 24.

The Collegium of Journalists consulted its own lawyers and requested a brief from the President of the Supreme Court on the possibilities of bringing "Constitutional Accusations" for the censorship against Interior Minister Patricio Rojas and Raul Troncoso, Minister-Secretary of Cabinet. The accusation is tantamount to a charge of misuse of authority.

Out-of-towners who hastened to cover the short-lived revolt were John Goshko, *Washington Post*; Bill Kane, *Time*; Bob Erlandsen, *Baltimore Sun*; Joe McGowan, AP; Dick Valeriani, NBC; and Joe Novitski, *New York Times*.

Bulletin's New M.E.

Bill Smith, the new managing editor of The *OPC Bulletin*, has been in the news business most of his life.

He was on the rim, later in the slot and ass't. city editor of the *Hudson Dispatch*. He was the M.E. of three tv trade publications. He was the senior editor of the *Billboard* for many years. Also on the faculty of the New School lecturing on show business facets.

Began in the newspaper business as a copy boy for AP; was a reporter for Brooklyn newspapers; *Standard News*, *Journal of Commerce*. Wrote stock market columns for the *Financial Chronicle*; wrote picture captions for the *Mirror*. Also doubled as press agent for Tom Fizdale and the late David O. Alber.

His pieces have been syndicated by UPI. He has recently completed assignments in Spain and Portugal after completing coverage of several stories in the Middle East.

Currently he's editor-at-large for a film trade monthly and a regular columnist for an amusement trade weekly.



Smith

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We have examined the balance sheet of OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. (a nonprofit organization) as of April 30, 1969, and the related statement of operations for the year then ended.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances, except as stated in the following paragraph.

Due to the absence of various accounting records for the previous year, it was not practicable to extend our auditing procedures sufficiently to enable us to express an opinion on the statement of operations for the year ended April 30, 1969, or on the consistency of application of accounting principles with the preceding year.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet presents fairly the financial position of the Overseas Press Club of America, Inc. as of April 30, 1969, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Alexander Grant & Company

New York, New York
September 25, 1969

Overseas Press Club of America, Inc.

BALANCE SHEET

April 30, 1969

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash in checking accounts	\$ 9,755	
Cash in savings accounts	3,224	
Cash on hand	4,030	\$ 17,009

	Gross	Less reserve	Net
Accounts receivable	\$ 53,910	\$ 21,910	32,000
Members' house charges	59,786	41,286	18,500
Dues	47,684	39,000	8,684
Special assessment - 1969	25,300	-	25,300
Dateline - 1969	27,799	7,310	20,489
Other	82,494	57,494	25,000
Claim receivable	\$296,973	\$167,000	129,973

Inventories - at the lower of cost (determined by the first-in, first-out method) or market

Food	2,600
Beverages	6,889
Gift items	2,036
Prepaid expenses	11,525
	12,221

Total current assets 170,728

FIXED ASSETS

Furniture, fixtures and equipment - at cost	70,173
Less accumulated depreciation	56,517
	13,656
	\$184,384

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Bank overdraft	
Notes payable to	
Accounts payable	
Payroll taxes withal	
taxes payable	
Due to Corresponden	
Overseas Press Club	

Total current

TENANTS' SECURITY DE

UNEARNED BILLINGS FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

MEMBERS' DEFICIENCY

In the balance sheet, the reserves applicable to house charges, and represent items the Club expects to collect after the date at which

Vietnam Revisited

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the tunnel"—or that "we are finally turning the corner" in the Vietnam war.

Here it is, a quarter to 12 in the year 1969, and we're still in it right up to our necks, with the American death toll now pushing 40,000

It is little wonder there's so much doubt and confusion and anguish back home, because there's even more doubt and confusion and anguish right here in South Vietnam. Just around every one of those corners, and at the end of every tunnel, there has been, somehow, a Vietcong or a North Vietnamese communist with a rifle in his hands. And they're still right here.

I've been coming here off and on ever since 1950, and now I'm trying to put into words just what's different about the Vietnam of late 1969. The answer, frankly, is not very much.

Few Real Changes

Oh, yes, we've got a super-market operation going here. There's enough road-building machinery up and down the country to move about half of the top-soil of South Vietnam over into neighboring Cambodia.

There are almost enough planes and helicopters on all the American-built airfields to blot out the sun. And even though some American troops are departing, there are still a half a million uniformed Americans up and down this mountainous, jungled land

which is just slightly larger than our own state of Michigan.

The other day I asked one longtime Vietnamese friend here what changes he has seen. He reflected a moment, smiled, and then pointed out, somewhat mischievously, I thought, that the American Embassy and its gargantuan complex of agencies here are now hiring South Vietnamese girls to drive official cars. Most of the former men drivers have been drafted.

In outward appearance, the capital of Saigon has not changed very much. President Thieu now presides in the huge, redecorated, marble box they call Independence Palace. There's the new American Embassy—supposedly impregnable since that communist suicide squad invaded it during the 1968 TET offensive. And, strangely enough, there are fewer American GI's roaming Saigon's streets.

The military bosses keep their men pretty much away from the cities to minimize potential friction with the local Vietnamese—except in such rabbit-warren cities as Can Tho down in the Mekong Delta. There, in a city of 70,000 Vietnamese, we have poured in 11,000 Americans, both military and civilians.

Some of the Vietnamese who are getting rich on the war don't seem to mind that the Americans have monopolized their best apartment houses and many of their best official buildings. A lot of the local girls don't seem to mind so many Americans a-

round. But there are a lot of glum Vietnamese faces, and no wonder. If I were a South Vietnamese, I'd be sick and tired by this time of both the communists and the Americans. And so they are.

During these past weeks, I've covered a lot of miles up and down this country. And I think the one thing that's dismayed me the most is that there's probably more disagreement over this war right here in South Vietnam than there is back home.

Quotes and Statistics

I've always contended that Vietnam is one place where a reporter can "prove," with quotes and statistics, almost anything. If a reporter comes here to try to prove that we're in a winning syndrome, he can find enough scattered evidence to make a plausible case.

It's equally simple to shift around the jargon and figures to prove, so to speak, that we're bogged down in a hopeless deadlock. And it's not very difficult to make a case for our eventual defeat.

My previous experience here has not made me a cynic. But I must admit that all those corners we've allegedly turned, and all those tunnel lights we've supposedly seen have made me ultra-cautious, if not a bit skeptical of the official briefing officer with his pointed stick and his columns of statistics.

What I've found here is sharp disagreement on almost everything, ex-

Overseas Press Club of America, Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended April 30, 1969

LIABILITIES		Profit or (loss) from operated departments and other income (Note 1)	
		Food	\$(12,600)
		Beverages	22,199
		Commercial rentals	22,455
		Other income	37,061
		Unapportioned expenses (Note 2)	\$ 69,115
		Bulletin	29,714
		Administration	121,674
		Payroll taxes and employee benefits	48,049
		House expenses	98,743
		Committee expenses	6,533
		Operating (loss)	304,713
		Fixed charges (Note 2)	(235,598)
		Fixed rental	27,000
		Additional rental	9,307
		Real estate taxes	22,975
		Fire insurance	4,562
		Interest on loan	1,885
			65,729
		Depreciation	4,909
			70,638
		(Loss) before income from dues and extraordinary items	(306,236)
		Income from dues	215,629
		Net (loss) before extraordinary items	(90,607)
		Extraordinary items	
		Provision for doubtful accounts	
		Claim receivable - accumulated unaccounted for cash receipts during current and prior years	82,494
		Less insurance recovery	25,000
			57,494
		House charges billed prior to January 1, 1969	13,666
		Members' dues for period prior to October 1, 1968	8,565
		Sundry old accounts receivable	912
			80,637
		Penalties (\$17,377) and interest (\$7,346) on delinquent payroll and real estate taxes	24,723
			105,360
		Less receipts from special assessment on members	(50,367)
			54,993
		NET (LOSS) FOR YEAR	(145,600)
		Members' deficiency - May 1, 1968	(110,721)
		Members' deficiency - April 30, 1969	\$(256,321)
		Note 1 - Expenses were allocated by management on a percentage basis; it was not possible to make a specific departmental analysis.	
		Note 2 - These expenses were not apportioned to any specific department.	

and special assessments
when audit was completed.

cept the average annual rainfall — and there's a lot of that.

Take the big burning issue of the American troop pullout. Up north, where the Americans have fought their biggest pitched battles, some senior U.S. officers have told me any American withdrawal much below 400,000 men would be courting disaster, and inviting tremendous U.S. casualties.

These American officers claim it is absurd to think that all American ground troops can go home, and leave our artillery and air power behind to be protected only by the South Vietnamese. One ranking American says those left behind to man the guns and fly the aircraft would be "pretty damn nervous" if they knew that only the South Vietnamese were protecting them on the ground.

Then I traveled down south into the Mekong Delta, the so-called rice bowl. There one top American told me that 400,000 out of the present 500,000 Americans here should be withdrawn, and the sooner the better. He says only 75,000 Americans here now are actually doing the fighting, and that the bulk of the enemy casualties are inflicted by artillery and air. He also says too many uniformed Americans here are performing what he calls "peripheral duties" they could do better elsewhere.

That brings us squarely against the question of whether the South Vietnamese military forces can fill the gap. Up north, Americans say the South Vietnamese can cope with the

Vietcong, but that Americans will have to stay to fight the North Vietnamese regulars. Down south, all American ground combat forces have been withdrawn. And some Americans there say they hope the North Vietnamese will send in more troops, so the South Vietnamese can show just how tough they really are.

Civilian Loyalties

When you touch on the subject of civilian loyalties, there's more disagreement. Some Americans who travel about the delta in the south say they are being greeted for the first time with big "hellow" and "hokays." In the north, Americans who patrol the hamlets claim civilians are signalling to the Vietcong where they should set up their ambushes.

The Americans who prepare those elaborate pacification charts and figures claim the Saigon government now controls 90 per cent of the total population of 17 million. But many South Vietnamese province chiefs still travel so-called secure roads with ar-

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V. Gilmore Iden Dies

V. Gilmore Iden, former United Nations correspondent for U.S. News and World Report died at 84 at his home in Aiken, South Carolina.

As a newsman he covered the White House for various publications. He was also an economic advisor to Sweden, and wrote on financial and business subjects.

Bahama Prime Minister Denies Press Interference

A question about "freedom of the press" was briefly raised and promptly rebutted by Lynden O. Pindling, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of the Bahama Islands at a press conference held in the OPC clubhouse on Nov. 12.



The conference, sponsored by the Bahamas News Bureau, covered various aspects of the Bahamian economy, plans for manpower training and development of tourism.

Press freedom issue came up in connection with his Government's recent refusal of a work permit to a non-Bahamian considered for employment as a parliamentary reporter by the Grand Bahamas Tribune. The Government, Pindling said, is in dispute with Grand Bahama Port Authority over details of agreement signed by previous administration giving private developers right to bring in alien employees. Case in question, he emphasized, was an individual situation.

"My Government," Pindling said, "does not intend to permit any enclave claiming super or quasi-governmental powers to assume authority superior to that of the Government."

"Our immigration policies do permit the granting of work permits to ex-patriots . . . every single newspaper in our country has foreign news men on its staff."

WANTED

OPC members (or their talented sons and daughters) with training and ability in some phase of entertainment. A number of members have suggested an OPC amateur night. So come on, show your stuff! Write: Dorothy Ingling or Li Ling Ai c/o OPC, describing your specialty, or telephone: PL 7-7669 or CI 6-7694.

Also need some willing workers—OPC members to work on our Entertainment Committee. Prefer members with contacts in the talent fields or those with good media contacts, and those able to get prizes . . . to do our publicity and obtain our party "give-aways."



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WASHINGTON TICKER

EX-OPC HEAD JOINS STATE DEPT.

By Jessie Stearns

WASHINGTON — Former OPC President **Barrett McGurn** went aboard State Department Oct. 22 to assist Robert J. McCloskey, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Press Relations and Special Assistant to Secretary William Rogers and Carl E. Barch, Deputy Director in dispensing State Department news. He will also handle liaison with the White House and Department of Defense.

McGurn was counselor at U.S. Embassy in Vietnam for Press Affairs until his return to Washington in September. He and his wife "Jan" and two sons are now living at 5229 Duval Blvd., Westmoreland Hills, Md.

McGurn was press attache to U.S. Embassy in Rome in 1966. In June 1968 he was assigned acting deputy director of U.S. Mission Press Center in Saigon, later deputy director, and then director. He was one of the five Americans and Vietnamese who conducted the daily "5 p.m. Follies" for the press in Saigon.

Julia Edwards' champagne bash honoring Augusta Wallace Lyons, and author of "Three Women" published by Bantam in paperback was enjoyed by OPC members.

Interested in the book that publishers refused to publish three years ago but now in the swing and enjoying the champagne and conversation were **Ruth Streeter Hatch, Joe and Lucille Newman, Hope Chamberlain, and Jessie Stearns.**

Bernard Yudain, former **Time, Inc.**, now vice president and general manager of the New York Graphic Society, Ltd., world's largest publisher of fine art reproductions, and a subsidiary of **Time, Inc.**, honored at a reception at the City Tavern Club, in Georgetown.

Among the guests were his brother, Sid Yudain, publisher of Roll Call, weekly newspaper on what goes on in Congress and the Congressional offices.

Dumitru Danielopol's letter to President Richard Nixon on his feelings as a adopted American on the Oct. 15 Moritorium was published in the Copley newspapers including the Joliet, (Ill.) Herald News.

Congressmen Bob Wilson, R-Calif., Ed Derwinski, R-Ill., and James Utt,

R-Calif., inserted the column in the Congressional Record.

President Nixon in a letter thanked **Danielopol**, for telling it "like it is," and Rep. Rogers C.B. Morton, (R-Md.), and Republican National Committee Chairman said it should be published in "each newspaper across the face of America."

Hope Riding Miller is on the success road as an author. "Embassy Row" published in February continues to roll up sales. Her new book, "The Great House of Washington, D.C." published by Clarkson & Potter and distributed by Crown Publishers sells for \$25. There are 100-colored plates of eight embassy residences built by American architects for American families in the 1800s, and 34 historic homes. Mrs. Pat Chatham, owner of Prospect House, one of the 34 homes, gave a publication party for Hope. Four other parties will be given by homeowners including the Mexican Ambassador, whose residence is one of the eight embassies shown in the book.

Angele De T. Gingras, former book critic and State Department columnist for U.S. Lady Magazine (now defunct), wrote "What Every Military Kid Should Know," a book for teenagers published by Stackpole Publishers and released in November.

Ruth Streeter Hatch honored her "fellow" under the Sloan-Rockefeller fellowships at Columbia University, and OPC member **Barbara Seaman** at a book party on Oct. 29.

There was controversy during a discussion period led by Publisher Peter H. Wyden (his company's first book) when friends and critics questioned Barbara on her book, "The Doctors' Case Against the Pill."

OPCers asking questions were **Julia Edwards, Patty Cavin, Jessie Stearns, Stephen Freeland, and Hope Riding Miller.** (See page 8)

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VIETNAM

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mored cars and heavily-armed guards.

You hear from some Americans that President Thieu is the best administrator this country ever has had. Others claim his regime is a corrupt bottleneck.

There's also bitter debate among our own troops over the pullout. Some who have fought for such headline landmarks as Khe San and The Rockpile are genuinely angry about leaving before we finish the job. They complain that we're quitting just when we had the enemy on the ropes. Many others can't get out of here fast enough.

If the troop pullout continues on any large scale, I predict a serious American morale problem. I've heard a few GI's mutter that they'll "be dammed" if they'll fight and get killed or wounded, if we are going to turn around and abandon South Vietnam. But top officers scoff at any suggestion of potential mutiny in the ranks.

I simply cannot share such official military confidence. I think we are headed for serious trouble, unless the Hanoi negotiators in Paris suddenly capitulate, and that's not very likely.

I do agree with American officials here who say the communist offensive during TET in 1968 turned out to be a big windfall for our side. It did deplete the communist ranks to the point where more than 75 per cent of the regular Vietcong units up north and about 50 per cent of those in the south are now filled with North Vietnamese. the communist TET offensive also depleted the ranks of the Vietcong guerrillas to such a low point that the uncommitted bulk of the population at long last has enjoyed some surcease from communists terror and intimidation.

But we must realize, after all these people have been through, that their self-confidence is mighty fragile. Some high-level assassinations, one or two smashing defeats of South Vietnamese troops, and a new reign of terror across the countryside could turn the calendar back to those dark days of 1964. That's the enemy plan.

No matter what the weekly enemy casualty reports show, there are still 240,000 armed communists inside or right on the borders of this country. They are devoted and pledged to taking over South Vietnam, no matter what the cost, no matter how long it takes.

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If I seem to be gloomy and pessimistic about the future, it's probably due more than anything else to an official transcript I have just read from communist North Vietnam.

This document predicts a communist victory because, as it says, public opinion in a democracy cannot tolerate a long, drawn-out war. The public, it says, will start demanding an end to the "useless bloodshed," the legislative branch will demand a cut in war spending, and finally the democratic government will be forced to agree to almost any kind of humiliating compromise rather than fight a semi-permanent, anti-guerrilla war way around the globe.

This document was written by North Vietnam's military chief, Vo Nguyen Giap, in 1952, two years before he defeated the French at Dien Bien Phu.

GREEK CENSORSHIP

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Greeks today is somewhat apathetic, he noted.

"For the man on the street and the masses of peasants, the Rule of the Colonels is tolerated merely because it has brought peace and quiet in place of strikes and riots," Rigos pointed out.

Sharing the dais with Rigos was the distinguished Greek historian and politician, Spyros Markezinis, who was in New York to supervise publication of his latest work — a four-volume English translation of a history of Modern Greece. A member of the Greek parliament until its dissolution, Markezinis followed an unbroken line of family members who served in that body since its inception in 1843.

Because of his unwillingness to criticize his government on foreign soil, Markezinis limited his remarks to a few comments about the many problems facing Greece.

"But, if you people here will visit me in Athens, I shall be happy to speak more freely," the noted historian said.

OPC President *Hal Lehrman* presided at the dinner and *Liz Weissblatt* was the producer of the event.

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GLOBE-TROTTING: OPC v.p. **Frank Gervasi** on-book and magazine assignments in Israel as the Bulletin goes to press. Frank will also do research throughout the troubled Middle East for future news and magazine articles... **Gary MacEoin** back from Rome where he covered the Synod of Bishops meeting for a column syndicated in the Catholic Press... **Arthur Holzman**, NASA's assistant general counsel, on his way to Nairobi where he will check on reciprocal facilities available to OPC members at the Kenya Press Club... **Poppy Cannon** in Southeast Asia where she's gathering magazine and newspaper material. Poppy returns to New York in a couple of weeks. **Lisa Hoffman**, our Bulletin's fast-moving correspondent-photographer, is off to Nassau for a rest after interviewing Jacqueline Susan and Roslyn Kind (Barbra Streisand's sister) for Jasmin, Germany's largest women's magazine.

CINEMA: Film rights to **Joseph Q. Riznik's** highly academic study: "An Extrapolation of the Sensual Relationships in Shakespearean Drama" have been acquired by Americana Productions of Beverly Hills. (Extrapolation? Why must they do that to Shakespeare?)

HONORS: **Norman Lobsenz's** article on marriage, originally in Redbook, won him first prize in the annual National Magazine Award Contest of the Family Service Assn. of America... **Barrett McGurn** received a Vietnamese decoration, the Psywar Medal First Class, before he returned from Washington from that country recently. McGurn is now a briefing officer in the State Dept.'s news division... The 1969 Journalism Award of the American Society of Anesthesiologists went to **Ruth Winter**, science editor of the Star-Ledger. It got her \$500, a plaque, and a chance to tell people how to pronounce Anesthesiologists at first try.

ARTICLES: **Alan Levy's** cover story on Sophia Loren and son featured in the November Good Housekeeping. His home now is in Prague.. **Ben Merson** is on a magazine health kick. His piece in the November Ladies Home Journal advises women against taking too much medicine. His upcoming LHJ article is on "The Orthodontics Racket." And he's now

writing something for the new magazine, Family Health, which is pegged to persons who enjoy reading about their symptoms.

RADIO: **Edward L. Bernays** appeared recently with Arlene Francis over WOR and will appear next with Lee Graham over WNYC on Dec. 7... **Jean Colbert** back from Israel and Italy where she interviewed notables for her radio show over a Hartford station.

CAMERA: **Jousuf Karsh** off to photograph distinguished Japanese personalities for his forthcoming exhibition: "Men Who Make Our World." ... Another photographer, **Barrett Gallagher**, who wrote "Flat Top" (Doubleday), elected vice-chairman of the Joint Ethics Committee, sponsored by art groups to mediate disputes in the graphic arts field.

NEW POSTS: United Feature Syndicate's **William C. Payette** upped from v.p. to general manager... AP's **David Mason** named correspondent in charge of its Saigon office, succeeding **George McArthur** who resigned to join the LA Times... **Don Carter**, exec. editor of The Record, Hackensack, N.J., and The Morning Call, Paterson, elected national v.p. of the Associated Press Managing Editors Assn.... **T. P. Noun**, formerly PR for MacManus, John & Adams, has coordinated all public relations for the luxury cruise ship T. S. Hamburg on her maiden voyage to the U.S.

BOOKS: Just published: "Che Guevara," a biography (Stein & Day) written by Mexico City-based **Daniel James**... **Stan Fischler**, NY correspondent for the Toronto Daily Star, out with three books for hockey fans... **Cecil Brown's** "Suez to Singapore" selected for inclusion in "Reader's Digest Illustrated Story of World War II." **Emil Lengyl's** "Nationalism" (Funk & Wagnall's) just out... Two movies, "The Sterile Cuckoo" and "Hail, Hero" based on books published by McKay, a company headed by **Kenneth Rawson**... Former NY Times man, **George Zuckerman** is seeking anecdotes about Mayors, past or present, anywhere in the world, for an off-beat book he is compiling. He can be reached at the New Jersey Conference of Mayors offices, Convention Hall, Asbury Park, N.J.

Ticker

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Rep. Peter Frelinghuysen, R-N.J., inserted in the Congressional Record the remarks by Rep. Dante B. Fascell, (D-Fla.), Chairman of the International Organizations and Movements of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee and "U.S. is Critized on Overseas News: both Abolition and Growth of Agency Asked at Parley" by Arnold H. Lubasch.

The speeches were given at the OPC one-day conference on a "Reappraisal of U.S. Overseas Policies and Programs."

Expelled Newsmen Defended by OPC

The OPC lodged a strong protest with the Soviet Embassy in Washington against the expulsion of Aaron Einfrank, foreign correspondent in Moscow for the Canadian Toronto Bulletin.

Einfrank was given three days to leave the country.

The expulsion order, according to the Toronto Telegram, was due to his reports on the USSR's policy toward Czechoslovakia.

The wire addressed to Antolly F. Debrynin, Soviet Embassy, signed by **Hal Lehrman**, president of the OPC and **Alan Walden**, co-chairman of the Press Freedom Committee, said in part, that the "...alleged offense was to write critical articles. Contrary to your government's definition of proper journalism we believe that independent research...reporting of facts are basic requirements of our profession...."

Laud Hershey Role On USIA Conference

Tribute to Past President **Burnet Hershey** for his major role in the successful planning and development of the recent U.S.I.A. day-long conference at the OPC was extended here by the Board of Governors at the recent monthly meet.

Noted was the wide news coverage plus the well-attended sessions which focussed on this important news-making event at the CPC.

Edward L. Bernays, who served as co-chairman with Hershey for the affair, said "Burnet Hershey did a great job" and deserves credit for it.